



Dutton June 17th 1839

Rev. Harper Boies

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~~Dear~~ Dear Sir

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I have just rec'd a line  
from you informing me of the organization  
of the Mass. Abolition Society & of my election as  
one of the Vice Presidents of it. Being very much  
out of health & about to commence a journey  
on the morrow. I will reply to your note without  
the least delay. I have much that I wish to write  
but at present my time & health prevents.

My views & feelings in relation to the old society  
& "common rights" or freedom party are well  
known in this region. And I rejoice at the new  
organization as I have no doubt it will greatly  
subserve the cause of emancipation. I was sickened  
& disgusted at the Anniversary of the American Society  
at New York. It is the general opinion of ministers  
& other intelligent men in this part of the state  
that Garrison is a corrupt man & is now doing  
more to retard the Anti Slavery cause in New  
England than any other man living.

You may depend, therefore, on my pronouncing  
my influence & what efforts my critical & feeble  
state of health will suffer me to make in your  
behalf, so long as you adhere to the principles &  
rules communicated in your note.

With these remarks prefaced, you may  
make such use of my name as you think  
will promote that cause for the speedy triumph  
of which I have laboured & perused, & shall continue  
to do while life & reason last.

I am Dear Sir

Yours in behalf of the oppressed

Harper Boies

P.S. You will hear from me again after my return.